In the Claims

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of the claims in the application.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.   (Currently Amended) A system for registering biometric information for use with a smartcard system, said system comprising:

a biometric sensor configured to detect a proffered biometric sample;

a device configured to associate said proffered biometric sample with user information and smartcard information to create a data packet, ~~wherein~~ and to associate said proffered biometric sample with a preset transaction limitation ~~is associated with at least two accounts, wherein each of said at least two accounts includes at least one of: a charge card account, a credit card account, a debit card account, a savings account, a private label account, a PayPal account, a membership account, a Western Union account, an electronic bill payment account, an automatic bill payment account and a loyalty point account~~; and

a database configured to store said data packet, wherein said database is configured to communicate with said system.

2.   (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein said device configured to associate said proffered biometric sample is configured to process, store, and verify said proffered biometric sample.

3.   (Cancelled)

4.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein each of a plurality of proffered biometric samples ~~sample~~ is associated with a different one of: personal information, credit card information, debit card information, savings account information, membership information, PayPal account information, Western Union Account information, electronic bill payment information, automatic bill payment information and loyalty point information.

5.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said database configured to store said data packet is configured to store at least one of: proffered biometric samples, registered biometric samples, user information, terrorist information, and criminal information.

6.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said database configured to store said data packet is contained in at least one of said smartcard, a smartcard reader, a sensor, a remote server, a merchant server and said smartcard system.

7.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said database configured to store said data packet is contained in a remote database, and wherein said remote database is configured to be operated by an authorized sample receiver.

8.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said device configured to associate said proffered biometric sample is further configured to primarily associate said proffered biometric sample with a first user information, wherein said first information comprises at least one of personal information, credit card information, debit card information, savings account information, membership information, PayPal account information, Western Union Account information, electronic bill payment information, automatic bill payment information and loyalty point information, and wherein said device is configured to secondarily associate said proffered biometric sample with a second user information, wherein said second information comprises at least one of personal information, credit card information, debit card information, savings account information, membership information, PayPal account information, Western Union Account information, electronic bill payment information, automatic bill payment information and loyalty point information, and wherein said second user information is different than said first user information.

9.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said device configured to associate said proffered biometric sample is further configured to associate a first proffered biometric sample with a first user information, wherein said first information comprises at least one of personal information, credit card information, debit card information, savings account information, membership information, PayPal account information, Western Union Account information, electronic bill payment information, automatic bill payment information and loyalty point information, and wherein said device is configured to associate a second proffered biometric sample with a second user information, wherein said second information comprises at least one of personal information, credit card information, debit card information, savings account information, membership information, PayPal account information, Western Union

Account information, electronic bill payment information, automatic bill payment information and loyalty point information.

10.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said device configured to associate said proffered biometric sample is further configured to associate a first proffered biometric sample with a first user information wherein said first information comprises at least one of personal information, credit card information, debit card information, savings account information, membership information, PayPal account information, Western Union Account information, electronic bill payment information, automatic bill payment information and loyalty point information, and wherein said device is configured to associate a second proffered biometric sample with a second user information, wherein said second information comprises at least one of personal information, credit card information, debit card information, savings account information, membership information, PayPal account information, Western Union Account information, electronic bill payment information, automatic bill payment information and loyalty point information, wherein said second user information is different than said first user information.

11.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein said device configured to associate said proffered biometric sample is configured to associate a plurality of proffered biometric samples with user information, wherein each proffered biometric sample is associated with different user information.

12.   (Original) The system of claim 2, wherein said device configured to associate said proffered biometric sample is further configured to process, store, and verify said proffered biometric sample, and wherein said device is configured to use at least one secondary security procedure to facilitate verification of said proffered biometric sample.

13.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein said device configured to associate said proffered biometric sample is further configured to associate said data packet with a personal identification number to facilitate access to said data packet.

14.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said biometric sensor configured to detect said proffered biometric sample is configured to detect at least one of: a retinal scan, an iris scan, a fingerprint scan, a hand print scan, a hand geometry scan, a voice print scan, a

vascular scan, a facial scan, an ear scan, a signature scan, a keystroke scan, an olfactory scan, an auditory emissions scan, and a DNA scan.

15.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein said device configured to associate said proffered biometric sample is further configured to associate a said preset transaction limitation amount with at least one of: said charge card account, said credit card account, said debit card account, said savings account, said private label account and said loyalty point account, said PayPal account, said membership account, said Western Union account, said electronic bill payment account, and said automatic bill payment account.

16.   (Cancelled)

17.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising a device to facilitate a selection of an account from said at least two accounts associated with said proffered biometric sample.

18.   (New) The system of claim 1, wherein said preset transaction limitation comprises at least one of a maximum transaction amount, minimum transaction amount, maximum number of transactions within a time period, maximum number of transactions, use by certain merchants, temporal limitation, geographic limitation, and use of non-monetary funds.

19.   (New) The system of claim 1, wherein said device is configured to associate said proffered biometric sample with at least two accounts, wherein each of said at least two accounts includes at least one of: a charge card account, a credit card account, a debit card account, a savings account, a private label account and a loyalty point account.

20.   (New) The system of claim 1, wherein said device is configured to associate said preset transaction limitation with at least one of a charge card account, a credit card account, a debit card account, a savings account, a private label account and a loyalty point account.

21.   (New) The system of claim 7, wherein said authorized sample receiver is one of a third-party biometric security vendor and a governmental agency.

22.   (New) The system of claim 8, wherein said first user information and said second user information are associated with different users.